



Elderly Housing Management, Inc.

March 25, 2013

Government Administrations and Elections Committee
Room 2200, Legislative Office Building
Hartford, CT 06106

Attn: The Honorable Arthur O'Neill

RE: Bill #6672 Section 8

Written
3/25/13

Dear Representative O'Neill,

I am writing as the Management Agent for the Board of Directors of Southbury Elderly Housing Inc. and Pomperaug Senior Housing Inc. (the Board), owners of Grace Meadows in support of their endeavor seeking land for the expansion of senior housing. They have identified a parcel belonging to the Southbury Training School that lends itself to current and future economic development based location and access to the necessary utilities such as water, sewer and gas lines.

The Board has partnered with New Samaritan Corporation and Elderly Housing Management, Inc. in the development and management of four phases of senior housing funded through both the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. The shared mission of our agencies is to develop and maintain quality affordable housing for low income seniors. The properties are maintained to the highest standards in accordance with HUD and USDA requirements meeting all aspects of regulatory compliance, physical maintenance and fiscal stability. However, the owner and management do not stop at meeting those benchmarks but have created homes where residents have access to supportive services within the community that enable them to age in place successfully and with dignity. We recognize that individual quality of life is part of creating good homes.

I have served with Elderly Housing Management for more than twenty years, over fifteen of them as the Administrator of the Grace Meadows complex. Each of the individual phases at Grace Meadows maintain waiting lists which average 175 applicants per community which translates to an average wait of three years or more. As a Senior Regional Manager overseeing more than 500 units of affordable senior housing I can attest to the continued growing as we face the retirement of the baby boomer generation with 10,000 people turning 65 every day for the next twenty years. I ask for your support of that portion of Raised House Bill 6672 which would convey that parcel of land to the Town of Southbury for the purpose of creating affordable housing.

Sincerely,

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